envisages inter-linking various Peninsular rivers and Himalayan rivers for transfer of water from surplus basins to water deficit basins.

Comprehensive Study of Sri Ram Sagar Project in A. P.

3399. DR. C. NARAYANA REDDY: Will the Minister of WATER RESOURCES be pleased to state :

(a) whether there is any proposal to take up comprehensive study of effective use of surface and ground water in the areas irrigated by Sri Ram Sagar project in Andhra Pradesh through the Central Ground Water Board;

(b) if so, by when the study will start; and

(c) the probable time for its completion?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF WATER RESOURCES (SHRIMATI BIJOYA CHAKRAVARTY) : (a) The Central Ground Water Board has taken up studies on conjunctive use of surface and ground water in the Canal Command Areas of Sri Ram Sagar Project, Andhra Pradesh, covering an area of 440 Hectares.

(b) and (c) The studies were initiated during 2002-03 and are likely to be completed by 2005.

Scheme for Anti-sea Erosion Works in the Coastal Region of Karnataka

3400. DR.VIJAY MALLYA: Will the Minister of WATER RESOURCES be pleased to state :

(a) whether a Centrally sponsored scheme for Anti-sea Erosion works in the coastal region of Karnataka was submitted by the State Government of Karnataka in December, 2001;

(b) if so, the details thereof including the total outlay proposed; and

(c) the present stage of consideration of the proposal and by when the approval and release of funds be expected?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF WATER RESOURCES (SHRIMATI BIJOYA CHAKRAVARTY) : (a) Seven schemes for anti-sea erosion works with a total estimated cost of Rs. 11.12 crores were received by Central Water Commission (CWC) in December, 2001